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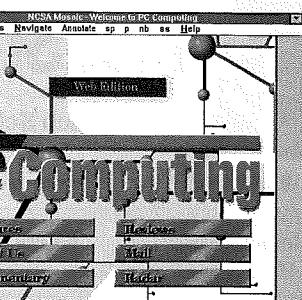
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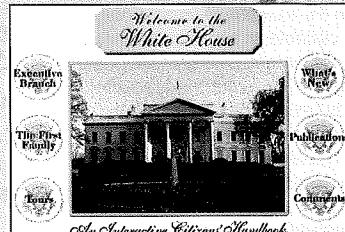
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Jammin' Java: Thanksgiving Coffee Company's Joan Katzeff enjoys the buzz of new business thanks to GNN.

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- **ANONYMOUS FILE TRANSFER PROTOCOL (FTP)** A standard that lets you sign into another computer on the Net and download files.
- **BACKBONES** High-speed links that connect networks.

• **GOPHER** A tool that lets you search for files, graphics, WAIS databases (see below), and more using onscreen menus.

• **HYPertext Markup Language (HTML)** Used for linking hypertext documents on the World Wide Web.

• **T1 LINES** High-bandwidth (1.544Mbps) telephone trunk lines. Many regional backbones use T1 lines and some use faster (44.21Mbps) T3 lines.

• **TRANSMISSION CONTROL PROTOCOL/INTERNET PROTOCOL (TCP/IP)** The lingua franca that allows computers to exchange messages and share resources across a network. You're not really on the Net without it.

• **WIDE AREA INFORMATION SERVER (WAIS)** A tool for retrieving documents from full-text databases on the Net—a great way to search Net archives.

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